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In re Application of Richard Thiele, Jr.			
Application Number 10/827,564-Conf. #3187		Filed April 19, 2004	
For SHOVELS AND OTHER IMPLEMENTS WITH SCALLOPED LEADING EDGES			
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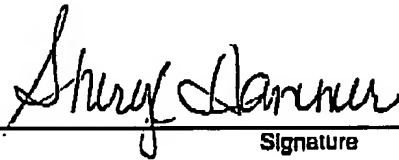
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